

Prisons inmate locator also reveals that Keith Bennett, registration number 14537-055, is deceased.

II. Discussion

Article III of the United States Constitution limits federal courts to the adjudication of only ongoing cases and controversies. U.S. Const. art. III, § 2, cl.

1. This requires, inter alia, that if at any time the petitioner does not have a “personal stake in the outcome” of the suit, “the case must be dismissed as moot.” Blanciak v. Allegheny Ludlum Corp., 77 F.3d 690, 698-99 (3d Cir. 1996). Where a petitioner dies prior to the court rendering a decision on his or her habeas corpus petition, the petition is rendered moot. Keitel v. Mazurkiewicz, 729 F.3d 278, 280 (3d Cir. 2013).

The evidence confirms that Petitioner died on November 7, 2014. (Doc. 8). As such, this this case is now moot. Keitel, 729 F.3d at 280.

IV. Conclusion

A review of the record reveals that the petition for a writ of habeas corpus is moot, and will be dismissed.

A separate order will be issued.

Dated: November 21, 2014


United States District Judge